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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: PRE-LICENSE CHECK: OOO "MODERN OPTICAL TECHNOLOGIES", MOSCOW, RUSSIA, LICENSE NO. D368935

REFTEL: USDOC 06974

- $\P 1$. Unauthorized disclosure of the information provided below is prohibited by Section 12C of the Export Administration Act.
- 12. Reftel requested a Pre-license check to determine the legitimacy and reliability of the end-user, 000 "Modern Optical Technologies", Moscow, Russia. The company is listed on BIS license application D368935 as the ultimate consignee of a thermal eye 262AS thermal imaging core manufactured byl-3 communications infrared. These items are controlled for national security, nuclear non-proliferation reasons under ECCN 6A003. The licensee is PR Technologies, 7412 SW Beaverton Hillsdale HWY, Suite 205, Portland, OR 197225.
- ¶3. On January 16, 2007, Export Control Attache Donald Pearce and FSN Natalya Shipitsina conducted the requested pre-license check at the offices of Modern Optical Technologies (Russian abbreviation COT), 23/1 Martosskaya Tishina St., Moscow, Russia. The export control team met with Aleksandr Putilovsky, General Director.
- 14. COT was founded in 2005 as a wholesale distributor of optical equipment and producer of opto-electronic devices. The company distributes a wide variety of binoculars, riflescopes and night vision equipment, mostly from Russian manufacturers. The company maintains a website at http://www.nightvision-cot.ru which details the specifications of the equipment for sale. COT also conducts research and development of opto-electronic devices for the consumer, military and law enforcement markets. The company employs nine at the company office suite, located on one half of the floor in a multi-tenant office building in Moscow.
- 15. The thermal imaging core noted in reftel will be used to develop a thermal imaging device. COT is currently contracted with U.S. firm ATN Corporation of South San Francisco, California to produce a prototype thermal imaging monocular. This is the third device designed by COT for ATN, and several other projects are being developed. Upon completion of fabrication and testing, the device will be returned to ATN in California for evaluation and final disposition. ATN informed Mr. Putilovsky of the licensing requirements and the anticipated conditions.

- 16. There are three technical construction specialists in the company, one of which being Mr. Putilovsky. Only these employees will have access to the core. When not in use, the core will be stored in a locked cabinet. All offices are sealed at the end of the workday, and the building is protected by a videos security system monitored 24 hours a day by an onpremesis security officer.
- 17. Recommendations: Post recommends Modern Optical Technologies (COT), Moscow, Russia, as reliable recipients of sensitive U.S. origin commodities. It is requested that post be notified of final disposition of the application, and of any shipments for this organization in order to conduct appropriate FCS follow-up and statistical reporting. (FCS MOSCOW/SBOZEK/DPEARCE) BURNS